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My heart gets startled like
An I mind the bein so lasses
At an old time candy pull.

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Last eakog, how my heart jumps!—
An Tommy Brown, as stood a pal—
As ever took life's chances,
An Betsy Smith an Jimmony Hill,
An Sam an Mary Dowd,
Whose daddy owned the ole gristmill,
An lots more at the crowd!

I mind we met at ole Dowd's place—
His kitchen was the best—
An the inside o' the ole mill race
Kept time to wigs an jest.
Then when the blaze was bilin down,
I tell you it was fun
To pull it to a golden brown
Till it was proper done!

Then how we danced the Virgy reel,
Chock full o' snap an spunk—
All hands around now—low an heel!
Back heels with a hunk!
O' yallow leaves ready
Below'n our laughin eyes—
No? No place: Less see, I really
Don't 'p'ose all how than usual?
—New York Sun.

THE PIANO TUNER.

Do, do, mi, sol—

In a back room of the great piano merchant Lefevre Rendnel, Rue de Richelieu, the tuner was working on this gloomy afternoon of a Parisian winter. It was cold and growing dark, and although it was not yet 3 o'clock the gas would soon have to be lighted. In the shop men, women, errand boys and porters came and went, the veils of the women and beards of the men covered with a fine frost, and all complaining of this exceptional weather, which for the past week had been transforming Paris into a kind of Siberia.

The tuner, through the partially closed door, could half follow the conversation in the outer room. He was a man of some 40 years, tall, thin, already much bent, his face furrowed with deep lines, the hair gray upon his temples, prematurely aged, apparently, from suffering. He was evidently very poor, to judge from his clothes, which were neat but threadbare. His expression had in it something of disenchantment, of bitterness, which would have struck the least observant. At first sight you would have felt him to be a man who had been vanquished in the struggle of life.

A pretty maid, a true comedy soubrette, in gaudy costume, with an apron of changeable silk, and upon her frizzled hair a delicious little hat with red roses, entered the shop and began to talk volubly to the salesman.

An an instant later the tuner heard himself called.

"You are wanted, M. Pierre, at the Hotel du Louvre."

"It is very urgent," added the soubrette in the bewitching little hat.

"At your service."

On the second floor of the great hotel Pierre Morel was ushered into an elegant salon, where stood open an ebony grand piano, draped with a Japanese cover. Immediately the tuner set himself to work.

"Doubtless they are afraid I shall carry off some of their costly knickknacks," he said to himself, seeing the soubrette linger near him.

But long since in his life of labor he had had to resign himself to these little humiliations. They no longer worried him.

And he played some chords.

Still the maid, chattering like a parrot, danced around him and never closed her mouth for an instant.

"Madame will be well pleased. We just arrived yesterday. This evening after the opera there will be some company. They will dance, and these hotel pianos are always so dreadfully out of tune. But madame will find one all right for once."

"Is she an artist?" asked Morel, amused in spite of himself by all this prattle.

"I should say so! And there are not many like her. For a long time they have been clamoring for her in Paris, but she had engagements. Finally here we are. It seems that not a seat is to be had this evening at any price."

Pierre Morel started. "This evening?"

"Why, yes. Don't you know? At the opera 'Faust,' with La Salvani."

"Is it La Salvani who is your mistress?"

He stood up and trembled like a leaf in the wind.

"Is it La Salvani?"

"Yes, but what is the matter?"

"Nothing, nothing. Heavens, you were quite right! This piano is in great need of tuning."

With a violent effort of will Pierre seated himself again and resumed his work.

But in spite of the effort he made to conceal it his agitation was very evident.

The sound of a bell, ringing in the next room just then, served him from his embarrassment.

"Madame is calling me."

And the soubrette disappeared.

Then Pierre Morel let his head fall into his hands, while inarticulate words escaped from his lips.

"She! She! Is it possible? And I who was wishing to avoid her, to be so near. Ah! Juliette! Juliette!"

Then suddenly:

"But I cannot stay here a moment longer. No, not a moment. Let her get some one else."

He started to make his escape.

But the door opened, and La Salvani appeared, enveloped in magnificent furs, famous furs which had been given her by the czarina. Tall, slender, of an exquisite beauty, she did not look over 25, though she must have been past 40. Splendid tresses chaos in her tears. A spray of mimosa perfumed her carriage.

Pierre gazed at her, glued to the spot, like one dazed.

She finished buttoning one of her long suede gloves and scarcely glanced at him.

"Nelly, you pay this man."

And she passed on. "You pay this man!" She had not recognized him in her ungrateful memory. In her frivolous heart nothing had awakened crying, "It is he!"

And yet the two had spent their younger days side by side. Dreams, hopes, labors, once they had shared everything, and Pierre Morel, in his foolish confidence, had believed that this happiness was to last all their lives.

Juliette Salvani was studying singing and was destined for the stage. She had the finest voice in the conservatory, and every one predicted for her the future of a "star." Admirers were not lacking, and her beauty made conquests. Very pale with her black hair, her face was lighted up with a pair of superb eyes, black and fiery, more ardent than the coals from a furnace. She was a kind of queen. One young girl, in the brain world of the conservatory, where no one could help admiring her, however jealous one might be.

Besides, she was wise, either by nature or by calculation, no one knew which, but no one would have dared to attribute to her the least indiscretion.

How beautiful she was, what passion in her dark orbs, what natural elegance, what supreme grace in her whole bearing! Pierre confessed to himself that he had loved her from the first glance, only it had taken him some time to acknowledge it to himself. And now she filled all his heart, all his life.

The young girl on her side manifested an affection for him, a marked preference.

They lived in the same quarter, and often, after their lessons, walked home together. They usually talked of their art. Both had ambition to become some one. From time to time, in the evening, Pierre went to the house of his friend, and under the indulgent eye of her old relative they made music during the hours which to Pierre were hours of delight. The voice of Juliette thrilled him, that marvelous voice which every day seemed to gain in scope, in power, in sweetness. And he would plan for her hours of his own composition, and she would encourage him, predicting for him a brilliant future.

When he left her, after these evenings of mutual exultation, the young man could not sleep all night.

One day, at length, he ran the risk of confessing his love—in fear and trembling, for what was he to hope that she would love him? Nothing at all, alas! But this love gave him a superhuman energy, and in order to make himself worthy of her he would become great himself.

His avowals made Juliette smile. She had guessed them long since. Moreover, she did not repulse him. On the contrary, she appeared pleased and very sweet.

Pierre could believe his love was returned. Intoxicated, he threw himself body and soul into his work and dreamed magnificent dreams, in which Juliette was bound to him in a radiant destiny.

Things went on thus for two years, which for him fairly flew along. Then, at the final concert of the year, Juliette carried off the first prize for singing and the first prize for opera. This was an event in the musical world. Immediately she had to choose between an engagement in Paris and proposals more advantageous from a material point of view of a manager who wished to take from city to city this new nightingale.

Juliette did not hesitate long and in spite of the mute supplication which she read in Pierre's eyes decided to travel. During this time he was to finish his studies, obtain the first prize for composition, make himself known—and then—then! all this planned out with that charm, that seduction which Juliette possessed in a high degree.

Pierre had to resign himself, and the young girl went away.

At first she had written to him quite regularly. These letters were his life. He read and reread them till he knew them by heart, supplying in them the passion they lacked. Juliette called herself now *La Salvani*, and her success was great. She made an enormous amount of money. Left alone in Paris, Pierre worked with more ardor than ever; more than ever he determined to deserve her. Then, little by little, the letters became shorter and less frequent. Juliette wrote good news of her health, spoke of her triumphs, rarely a word of love.

These letters nearly froze Pierre's heart when he received them. Yet he would trust her. In the busy life she led, rushing from city to city, it was natural enough that Juliette should not find much time to write; but, oh, if she would only give it up and come back to him!

And, in spite of himself, involuntary fears would come, and one day he had to acknowledge that these fears were only too well founded. The letters were so far apart, they grew so short, so cold, that he could no longer deceive himself. Finally they ceased altogether, and Pierre had too much pride to recall a promise which had been forgotten.

He was young, and youth withstands more terrible blows than that. He neither killed himself nor became mad, yet, nevertheless, his life was ruined. If his health and his reason came out victorious from this conflict, his ambition fell there. What was the use of composing beautiful works, of becoming celebrated? His inspiration had withdrawn from him. It was an abdication, swift, absolute, irreparable.

Yet he must eat. Pierre gave lessons, took up work of an inferior order, transcriptions for the piano, arrangements of such or such a celebrated opera. It was a miserable existence, but what difference did it make to him? And when his indifference, his gloomy manner had driven away pupils and publishers, and even this work failed, he at last accepted the position of tuner in the piano store of the Rue de Richelieu, a subordinate position, an inferior calling, which he had now filled for 12 years.

During these years La Salvani had continued her triumphal journey across Europe and America. Her return to Paris had often been announced. More than one manager had made her brilliant offers. But these reports, which each time made a great noise in the newspapers, were never realized. It had even been said that she was afraid of Paris. The fame was increasing every day. She had not failed in her destiny, and the opera, which she already was at the conservatory, she had now become in very truth, welcomed everywhere, covered with flowers and jewels, celebrated in the papers, never leaving the theater without an enthusiastic crowd following her carriage.

And he—he was nothing. Of his talent, of his fine dreams, there remained not a trace. The radiant mirage of his youth had faded into this mechanical occupation, in which he was not even destitute enough to find forgetfulness.

And it was Juliette whom he had just seen—by what cruel chance—she who was to sing this evening.

Some days before Pierre had noticed in a newspaper her engagement at the Opera. She had then decided. The part was sufficiently done away with for her to come back to Paris without trouble, and she had arrived there at the height of her glory, a public idol.

Then a mad desire to hear La Salvani overcame Pierre Morel. He would suffer like one damned, to be sure, but what matter?

The soubrette had said it was not possible to procure a single ticket.

Well, he would get one if it took his whole month's salary.

The tuner did not dream of going across the public hall. He did not think of dining. Besides, time pressed. It was already past 7 o'clock.

Pierre ordered himself to one of the dramatic agencies of newspapers to buy a ticket ahead of the crowd. The agent, judging the man by his appearance, declared that one could not get a seat. Pierre insisted, pointing to the bill announced that the price was no consideration.

"In any case I could only give you a seat in the fourth gallery."

"That will do. And how much is it?"

"Fifty francs."

Pierre took out his purse and paid the money without remonstrance. Had he been asked for his blood he would have said, "Take it."

The electric light about the theater shone upon a noisy going and coming of carriages and of pedestrians. The illuminated facade, the municipal guards, immovable upon their horses, announced a gala evening. Boys hustled about with libretti and programmes. Coupe after coupe, with horses in jingling harness, stopped in front of the theater. A man, whose evening dress could be seen under his tipcoat, would descend, stretching a gloved hand to a woman in a beautiful costume.

It was nearly 8 o'clock.

Pierre Morel crowded into the lobby, where the chandeliers threw into effective relief the gorgeous, bewildering mass of people.

He climbed up to the fourth gallery, refused to leave his topcoat with the attendant, secured his seat—all with the dazed air he had worn since leaving the house in the afternoon.

The house began to fill. The musicians in the orchestra prepared their instruments. Everywhere flowers, diamonds, jewels, a veritable feast for the eyes.

Three strokes of a bell sounded, the overture began, the curtain rose with the majesty of an evening of special significance. Pale as death, Pierre Morel did not move his eyes from the stage. When the silhouette of Marguerite at the spinning wheel appeared, it seemed to him that his heart ceased to beat.

Ah, what would he not have given to find again his youth, like Faust, his youth for an hour, an instant, his happy, careless, confiding youth!

Now the heart of Pierre Morel beat as if it would burst. It was she, his beloved, faithless Juliette. His glance never left her, his soul was as if suspended on each of the notes which came from her false mouth.

She presented the garden scene with a consummate art. In the cathedral scene her accents were so tragic it was impossible to remain insensible to them. The success of the presentation was assured. The final trio came, and La Salvani surpassed herself. Her voice, clear, dominating without effort the uproar of the orchestra, seemed really to carry the soul of Marguerite to the heights of heaven. Emotion reached its limit and became delirium. All the spectators stood up, breathless, and when she had finished they made her begin again, and still again, and the star had to reappear five or six times, and bouquets and garlands raised around the cantatrice—roses, azaleas, lilies of the valley, rare orchids, all the wealth of the hothouses. Amid this garden of flowers she smiled and bowed, very pale, supremely beautiful.

It was thus for nearly half an hour, then the star withdrew finally.

In the corridors and upon the stairways there were only exclamations and praise.

"Admirable!" "What a great artist!" "Who dared to say she had no longer a voice!" "Never before has Marguerite been sung like this!" "It is perfection!" "It is ideal!"

Pierre Morel let the crowd pass out. He started one of the last, and, instead of going home, waited near the stage entrance in a dim corner. In a few moments a carriage drove up. The door opened. La Salvani came out on the arm of a man. Behind her they brought flowers, the most beautiful of those which had just been given her.

She stepped into the carriage without seeing who was [illegible] a few feet from her. The man took his place beside her, the flowers were heaped in about them, and the carriage started swiftly.

No one heard the sobs which escaped from the breast of Pierre Morel.

The tuner went to his room, a miserable attic chamber.

But there was no question of sleep for the unhappy [illegible].

He opened a [illegible], took out a little casket, and the half-rusted, refusing to turn in the lock, he pried off the cover, some dry flowers, a piece of ribbon, a page of manuscript music, those "little things" which all lovers possess. They were the relics of his poor love. For long, long years he had not opened this box, fearing to suffer too much, but tonight he felt a savage need of draining the cup to the dregs.

The flowers, some violets, two or three jonquils, he had gathered with Juliette on one of their Sunday walks in the woods of Sevres and of Ville d'Avray. Their color had faded less quickly perchance than the love in the heart of Juliette. The piece of ribbon had bound her black hair, and Pierre could have pressed it to his lips. The manuscript music was a melody which he had composed for her. "When I have become celebrated," she had said, "I will sing it everywhere." But she had no more remembrance of these words than has the autumn wind of the leaves with which it sports.

"You pay this man." That was all she had to say in passing near him.

Ah, had she not paid him long since, paid him as almost always in this life our purest devotion, our best love is paid—by ingratitude?

And Pierre pictured her in her salon of the Hotel du Louvre, surrounded by a circle of admirers. He heard the paans of praise, and tears of despair, burning like molten lead, rolled down his thin cheeks.

Then the morning broke, a gray, wintry morning.

The various noises of the street rose to the attic of the tuner, the roar from the tramways, the rumble of the omnibuses were heard again. The great city was awakening under the leaden sky.

There was the effort to begin again, the struggle to take up the burden to lift again upon tired shoulders.

For it is the misfortune of the poor man not even to be able to suffer in peace. The need of earning daily bread harasses him ceaselessly, and every morning, to the heart as to peace or torn by sorrow, he must take up his work again.

Pierre Morel put back his treasures in their sepulcher, bathed his red eyes, descended the six flights of stairs and found himself again in the already swarming street.

An hour later, in the back room of the shop of Lefevre Rendnel, he had taken up his humble occupation again, that of today, that of tomorrow, and of all the rest of his life.

Do, do, mi, sol.—From the French for Short Stories.

Lethal Letters.

As the initial letters of words Brewer estimates that the different letters stand in the following order and are used in the following proportion: S, 1,194; C, 937; P, 904; A, 874; T, 871; D, 808; B, 482; M, 448; F, 388; I, 377; R, 340; H, 308; L, 289; N, 231; W, 272; G, 266; O, 220; E, 206; V, 172; J, 153; K, 89; Q, 36; X, 17; Y, 13; Z, 10, and X, 6.

The yield of wheat in France, owing to the careful cultivation of the soil and the large quantity of guano and other fertilizers employed, is 17 bushels per acre.

COUNTING APPLE SEEDS.

Beside the hearth one winter night,
Made rosy by the great log's light,
That, flaring up the chimney dark,
Hit every cranny, every nook
Upon the rug a little maid
Sat curled in pose demure and staid.

In pensive mood, with dreamy eyes,
She sits, while up the chimney flies
A thought with every fiery spark,
Glinting and flashing through the dark,
Till with a sigh profound and deep
She moves as one moves in her sleep.

A rosy apple in her hand
A weight of thought seems to demand.
She taps it with a finger light,
Then carefully she takes a bite.
Another bite, now one, now two.
The core is thus exposed to view.

Another sigh! What can it be,
My little maid, that sighs thus?
Ah! What is this! Some incantation,
Muttered with such reiteration?
Hark! As each seed her bright eyes see,
These are the words that come to me:

"One I love, two I love,
Three I love, I say!
Four I love with all my heart,
Five I cast away."

Here a tear rolls brightly down.
What the secret she has won?
Who can say? Just just behind
Stands a wise scowlt and kind:
"Look again! Thou must indeed
Find for me another seed!"

Rosier her bright cheeks grow
In the firelight's ruddy glow
Since enough, a culprit seed
Finds she in the core indeed!
"From thy lips I fain would hear
What the sixth one means, my dear."

"She he loves," she murmured low.
And the firelight's flickering glow
Two happy faces now discloses,
With cheeks aglowing like the rose.
But here we'll let the curtain fall,
For the end is best of all.
—Sacramento Union.

STREET OF SPIDERS.

CURIOUS DISCOVERIES MADE IN A FLORIDA THICKET.

Immense Webs Woven by Yellow Spiders. A Mysterious Disappearance Explained. A Fruitless Crab—Tricks of Nature Protect the Defenseless.

Once, in attempting to force my way through the thick bay cedar underbrush of one of the smaller and outer keys of the Florida reef I suddenly broke into an opening which had the appearance of a narrow street or trail. The brush was six or eight feet in height and remarkably thick, and the heat was intolerable. The branches and leaves which were interlaced formed a perfect network and gave shelter to innumerable crabs, which had taken possession of old birds' nests, while under foot the eggs and newly hatched terns almost covered the ground.

Once in the opening or street it was found to be about seven feet across, winding away out of sight, but my way was blocked by several curious obstacles—a succession of webs stretched vertically across the pathway at intervals of five or six feet. They were of extraordinary strength and were thrown out and poised in a marvelous manner. In the center of each of these silken barriers clung a huge yellow spider, so ugly and conspicuous that I stopped before the first doubting the evidence of my eyes, and as I looked the first yellow spider of the series disappeared. There was no doubt about it. At first so striking and gaudy, it slowly faded away, and through the web I could see other yellow spiders beyond, suggesting that it was no illusion.

While I stood wondering in the hot sun the spider solved the mystery by appearing again, first dimly, then like many spiders quivering in the strong light, finally resolving itself into one huge yellow fellow that moved like a pendulum to and fro and then stopped. I touched it gently with a switch I held, whereupon it deliberately began to swing its huge body, imparting to the entire web a vibratory motion which increased in rapidity until the body of the spider began to grow fainter, and in a few moments became invisible. It was all very simple when understood. The spider when alarmed began to swing, gradually increasing the motion until it disappeared or could not be followed by the eye. Thinking the case might be exceptional, I again touched the spider, and again it literally swung itself out of sight.

Crawling beneath the web, I confronted the next spider, which also was yellow or saffron in color, with black, velvetlike markings, hanging in the sun like a great topaz, its web dotted with the remains of many insects—empty skeletons of insects, bits of pearly fish scales, perhaps dropped by some passing bird, a delicate feather and a motley array of flies and other insect folk. At first the spider paid me scant attention, then I saw a slight convulsive movement of its legs as it imparted the first long swing to its hammocklike web that put this wonderful life saving device, for this it was, in motion. It was the spider's defense and protection from enemies.

Certain birds undoubtedly preyed upon the spiders, and this faculty of mysteriously disappearing had on more than one occasion served it well. I could easily imagine the astonishment of the bird when darting down to seize the plump and showy spider to find that it had slipped away.

There was much in this street of yellow spiders to distract the mind from the intense heat that poured down from the almost vertical sun. In the middle of the path, beyond a turn, grew a clump of cactus, with here and there a ripe fruit rich in the purple of full maturity—a brilliant contrast to the green leaves. As I stood watching the hermit crabs dropping from the bushes and scurrying away over the sand I thought I saw a ripe fruit of the cactus move; then, to my amazement, it passed directly out of sight, not after the fashion of the spiders, but by slipping around one of the big leaves. I almost expected to see the others follow it, but nothing of the kind occurred. I walked along and placed myself in a position to see behind the broad, flat, pear shaped

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of Bradford.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER,
WALTER OSTRANDER,
of Liberty Township.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

To the Editor:—You are authorized to announce [illegible] a candidate for the office of [illegible] subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

EUGENE MULLIN.

Smethport, Pa., March 26, 1897.

The last legislature extended the age limit of the compulsory education law from 13 to 16 years.

Labor bodies move slowly, as was clearly evidenced by the Democratic convention last Tuesday.

The rush of people to the Alaskan gold fields at the present time is equal to the rush for California in 1849-50.

Frank Collins' Kentucky railroad passes would have commanded a large premium at last Tuesday's convention.

Gov. Mathews keeps his veto axe keen and sharp these warm days and seems to meet the approval of the people at large in the State.

The Dingley tariff bill as agreed to by the joint committee of the two Houses of Congress passed the lower House last Monday by a vote of 185 yeas to 118 nays.

In spite of W. J. Bryan's prediction that the price of wheat and silver kept pace, wheat is 13 cents higher this year than last and silver has fallen in price three cents during the last three months.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease aspires to be the Populist candidate for governor of Kansas. Why not? She could not do any worse than some of the long whiskered men who have held that position lately.

The long delays during the convention last Tuesday were taken advantage of by many of the delegates to go out and view the scenery. It evidently had a beneficial effect as they invariably came back looking refreshed.

The appointment of T. V. Powderly as Commissioner General of Immigration meets with general approval throughout the country.—Kane Republican. But the Senate seems to think otherwise and so far have failed to ratify the nomination.

It is rather an inspiring sight to sit in a convention and hear the members thereof railing against trusts and all other combinations and afterwards watch the delegates falling over one another in their efforts to gain an entrance to any old trust that comes along.

The coal question that has caused so much controversy between the United States and Great Britain will have to take a secondary place, as the great gold discovery in Alaska will bring into dispute the boundary line on the eastern instead of the western side of Alaska.

Connolly's lambasting the Republican party last Tuesday for not betting the times while administering Democratic laws was too rich for anything. It reminded one of a physician of the old school of allopathy administering homeopathic doses of medicine to a patient and expecting a cure.

All the European powers, with the exception of England, last Monday, through the Emperor of Russia, sent a despatch to the Sultan of Turkey demanding the immediate evacuation of Thessaly. "Johnny Bull" seems back ward in calling a halt on the murder case Turk, owing, possibly, to the fact that English capitalists have millions invested in Turkish securities.

It must have been highly edifying to Democrats who have grown gray in the service of the party to sit and listen to speeches made by young men in the convention, advising those old men of philosophy to Democratic principles. This may be the proper way to secure harmony, but to a man on the other side of the hedge it looks different. Those old men have not departed from their old-time allegiance. It is the younger men who, like colts, have broken out of the pasture and scampered away after Bryan and his free silver and Populistic theories. The young men are furious because they cannot induce those older men of means to follow after their wild goose chase with Bryan, hence they censure the older members of the party of disloyalty.

Last week it looked as though the difficulties among the miners and the operators might be amicably arranged, but during the last few days matters have become more complicated. In most of the mines are many men who desire to continue work, but the walking delegates and the hot headed leaders have used their influence to induce them to quit their labors and allow their wives and little ones to live on charity or suffer the pangs of hunger. In some of the mines operations continue, but it is only a matter of time until they will all stop. The leaders of the strike are organizing their followers into marching armies similar to the Coxey fiasco of two years ago. Wherever they hear of miners at work these men will march to the mines and induce the men to leave their labor. Thus far they have been quite orderly, no rioting having occurred. There is no telling, however, how long this will last. May this trouble that hovers over the homes of thousands be quickly and amicably arranged.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY.

They Were Out in Full Force—Mullin Captures the Judicial Honors—Com. T. F. Hungerville the Chairman.

Last Tuesday morning the adherents of Democracy commenced gathering on our streets and by noon the ever faithful were here in full force, ready to put on their war paint and do battle for the cause.

The judicial candidates occupied headquarters in the Grand Central. Eugene Mullin occupied parlors A and B, while the Huey faction, under ex-Chairman Nash, occupied the main parlor. To these two rooms the "aide de camps" of each candidate would go for their instructions and then hasten away to execute the same.

It seemed a difficult task to induce the delegates to leave their pleasant quarters at the hotel, but finally, at about 3 o'clock, County Chairman Kelleher called the convention to order. The list of delegates was called and every precinct, with the exception of the second district of Sergeant, responded. After the first roll call the chairman ordered a second roll call to allow delegates to name their committeemen. This took up a great deal of valuable time and made many of the delegates uneasy. Mr. Kelleher then announced that the next move would be the election of a permanent chairman. The name of D. F. Connolly, the fiery orator of last fall's campaign, was presented and unanimously elected. Upon taking the chair Mr. Connolly made a protracted free silver address. He sympathized with the people upon their betrayal by the Republican party. They were cruelly deceived. The promised era of prosperity is a fraud. People in Pennsylvania are eating horseflesh. Farmers can't sell wheat because there is no money to buy it. The empty pocket is the new McKinley badge. He denounced Grover Cleveland and John G. Carlisle as traitors, and then went after trusts.

When the lengthy harangue was finished the chair appointed the following committee on credentials: James Anglum, Frank Kernan, J. M. Cotter, J. D. Carman and Eugene McCarty. When the committee retired M. G. Brink moved that the candidates for judicial honors be requested to come before the convention and discuss their respective claims, but the chair would not entertain the proposition until the committee on credentials had reported. A. T. Irvine then moved that a committee on resolutions be appointed. This the chair also refused to consider. Finally after a long and tedious wait the committee reported and the wheels began to move slowly again. The following gentlemen were then appointed a committee on resolutions: H. T. Irvine, William Brooder, Herman Frank, William O'Connor and M. J. Arrowsmith. Here another painful wait ensued. Although the resolutions were type written and had been duly prepared beforehand, it took the committee a long time to formulate the same. A postscript was added in writing recommending that the committeemen of each district investigate the alleged unequally levied taxation in this county. The resolutions were unanimously adopted with the usual Democratic acclaim.

John C. Mills and B. D. Keeler were elected secretaries.

Nominations for jury commissioner were then in order. John Tate placed the name of W. R. Ford before the convention, J. M. Cotter the name of William Brooder and A. A. Daly the name of Wilber Oviatt. The first ballot resulted Brooder 36, Ford 38 and Oviatt 5. The chair was going to announce the nomination of Ford, he having the highest number of votes, but J. M. Cotter balked the game by telling the chairman that he was wrong; Ford did not have a majority over the whole. Then there was a very long rest before the chairman would give in and order another ballot. The name of Oviatt was withdrawn and another ballot taken, which resulted in the choice of the old war horse, Wm. Brooder, by a vote of 44 and 37.

Dr. James Walker of Bradford was nominated for the office of coroner and the secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for Dr. Walker.

Mr. Connolly then called a delegate to take the chair while he proceeded in a very able manner to present the name of Eugene Mullin as the candidate for the honorable position of additional law judge of the 48th judicial district. This was ably seconded by F. J. Collins and J. M. Cotter. W. C. Collins of Kane nominated A. P. Huey. The ballot showed 77 votes—63 1-2 votes for Mullin and 13 1-2 for Huey. In the third district of Kane there was a tie vote for delegates and the convention decided to give each candidate a half vote. Moved by G. A. Korner of Dallas and seconded by John Reigel of Kane that the nomination be made unanimous. The chair presented the motion to the convention and the affirmative side was acted upon, but the negative side was not presented and a gentleman from Norwich arose and requested that they have an opportunity to express their views, but the chair asserted that the negative side had been presented and no response had been made, so the delegate from Norwich was compelled to swallow the dose.

Mr. Mullin was called and in a few well chosen words thanked the convention for the honor conferred on him.

Frank Collins and S. F. Connolly of Bradford and Carl Bard of Port Allegany were elected as delegates to the State convention.

T. F. Hungerville and J. R. Goldsborough of Bradford were placed in nomination for county chairman. Mr. Goldsborough declined the honor and left the field clear for Mr. Hungerville, who passed under the wire a sure winner amidst loud applause.

Some other trifling matters were gone through of no real interest to the reader, and at 6 o'clock the most remarkable convention in the history of the Democratic party of McKean county adjourned, after three hours of tedious work that ought to have been accomplished in one hour and a half. It was as tiresome as drawing molasses in January and took fully as long, demonstrating the fact that a man may be a gilt talker and yet make a poor chairman.

During the last fiscal year Uncle Sam coined $1,903,703 silver dollars. This will furnish W. J. Bryan with pocket pieces until 1900.

The crime of '73 is being perpetrated down in Mexico. Gold commands a premium of 13 1-3 cents.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, July 17, 1897.—President McKinley has had to abandon attending the dedication of the Logan statue in Chicago, owing to the delay in disposing of the tariff bill. He did so very reluctantly, as he was particularly anxious to be there, but, of course, duty came first. He did not wish to be away from Washington when the tariff bill is finally acted upon by Congress, as it is certain to be this week, now that the conferees have reached an agreement, notwithstanding the threat of a coterie of Democratic and Populist Senators to delay the acceptance of the conference report by the Senate. These threats were probably made for effect before the agreement was reached, as nothing can be gained by delaying the acceptance of the report and even Democrats and Populists are not likely to engage in butting their heads against the rock wall of public opinion when they can get nothing by doing so.

The country is to be congratulated that the House conferees had their way about the important schedules of the tariff bill; also the Republican party, and the result is largely due to the practical unanimity of the Republican press in declaring the House schedules to be preferable to those of the Senate. This was especially true of the sugar schedule, the most troublesome of them all. To have agreed to the Senate schedule would have furnished the opponents of the Republican party with a great deal of campaign material without aiding any American industry or adding to the revenues of the government. This fact was fully recognized by Speaker Reed and the Republican members of the House, and too much credit cannot be given them for taking the stand that the Senate schedule would under no circumstances be agreed to by the House. Quite a number of Republicans also assisted in the good work by condemning the Senate sugar schedule.

The new tariff bill as it now stands is not perfect—nothing of human construction is—but it is a good bill, and will be endorsed by all who believe in a protective tariff, and will add to the believers in protection. It will enable many thousand Americans to get the profitable employment they have been without for four years, and will, at the same time, produce all the revenue needed to run the government. No one man deserves more credit for this bill than Chairman Dingley, whose name the bill bears. Since last December he has worked early and late on the measure, and if the Dingley tariff proves as popular as its supporters expect, who knows but its author may not in the course of time be as highly rewarded as was the author of the McKinley tariff. Here's hoping that Dingley times may be as prosperous as McKinley times, and I am sure that Mr. Dingley would rather see the country prosperous than to be President.

There is little probability that this government will take any notice of Japan's supplementary protest against the annexation of Hawaii, not because of any particular desire to snub Japan, but because Secretary Sherman's reply to Japan's first protest covered the ground so fully that no other answer is needed. The action of the Senate Committee on foreign relations in favorably reporting the annexation treaty without a dissenting voice, was additional notice to Japan, and all the rest of the world, that annexation is going to be accomplished regardless of the opinions or wishes of other nations.

No official of the administration nor member of either branch of Congress takes seriously the English made rumor that Spain and Japan had formed an alliance to make war upon the United States. Nobody in Washington would be the slightest bit worried even if it were known that such an alliance was an accomplished fact, instead of being an English attempt to scare somebody, as a means of "getting even" for the truthful statement of the tricky conduct of the English government, made in Secretary Sherman's instructions to Ambassador Hay, concerning the seal fisheries negotiations. It was not intended that these instructions should be made public at this time, but they were obtained by a wide awake newspaper man and printed. The publication has made the English editors very mad at the U. S., and their old occupation of abusing us, which was suspended while the arbitration treaty was pending, has been resumed; but it is worthy of notice that no attempt has been made to controvert the truthfulness of Secretary Sherman's arraignment of Lord Salisbury.

Chairman Connolly's assertion that the Republican party was to blame for the depreciation in the oil market was indeed unique, and his surprised audience was nonplussed, not knowing whether to applaud or keep quiet but, as usual, a faint applause greeted the enthusiastic speaker. His accusation possessed one merit at least, it added a new feature to his campaign speech of last fall, warmed up for the occasion and the edification of the delegates. There was another marked feature about his speech. In telling of the privations of the miners he said they were compelled to eat horse flesh. This was a startling revelation. The speaker was evidently unacquainted with the French mode of living, for they seem to rather enjoy horse flesh as food, and perhaps the speaker was not familiar with the contents of a can of dried beef. If he had been he would not have shown such repugnance to a taste of horse flesh. The honorable chairman seemed to take great pleasure in laying all the blame on the Republican party, seeming to forget the fact that we are at the present time living under the Wilson-Gorman tariff law which so far has failed to redeem Democratic pledges or make better times, as they promised in the campaign of 1892. This tariff law, which their consecrated knight of free trade pronounced as "party perfidy and dishonor", a measure that he considered so unfair that he would not sign it, is the cause of all our hard times and all the privations that the speaker took such delight in accusing the Republicans of being the cause. But the speaker and his party are in a measure excusable. The acts of the Democratic party during the last four years have produced such results that they have actually become ashamed of it themselves and strive in every way to flee from its effects. In fact, they disown the whole matter and their only desire is to keep the old name and start off on a new departure, hoping and trusting that the people will forget the ruin they have brought upon the nation. Laying the blame upon the Republican party will not remove the stigma from their own act. Like Banquo's ghost, it will not down.

Chairman Connolly's reference to what he termed a McKinley badge—an "empty pocket"—is by all means preferable to a Cleveland badge, a large patch on the seat of one's pantaloons.

It began to look as though there might be a repetition of the Ai battle between the Governor and the senior United States Senator during the coming campaign.

HUEY'S RESIGNATION.

Excepting the great [illegible] strike, which may terminate at any time, there is scarcely a feature of the business outlook which is not encouraging, the season considered. Crop prospects have been improved by needed rains in some regions, and foreign advices continue to promise a large demand. In many home industries, particularly in building, there is more activity than in any year since 1892, and the week has brought a better demand in boots and shoes and in woolens, while the movement of freight, mainly iron ore, through the Sault St. Marie Canal is the largest in its history. With money markets unclouded, there is nothing in sight to hinder rapid improvement when uncertainty about legislation has been removed, for the miners' strike could not last long if business and industries should become active. There is much less apprehension of a failure of fuel supply than there was during the first few days when prices rapidly advanced, and large quantities of coal from West Virginia have reached northern markets, but some of the miners in that State have struck.

The advance in wheat to 81 1 2 cents was not due to the government estimate, which was followed by a decline, but to foreign advices and considerable buying for export. Demand is already felt from Australia, South Africa, Brazil and even Argentina, while the promise for European crops is not considered bright. The disposition of farmers to keep back wheat for higher prices may affect the outward movement, but Atlantic exports during July, flour included, have been 3,115,443 bushels against 2,953,817 last year, although in the same weeks 4,659,315 bushels of corn went out against 1,574,072 last year. Wheat closed 4 cts. higher for the week, and corn 1-2 a cent higher. Cotton is a sixteenth higher, the closing or partial stoppage of important New England mills hardly neutralizing in market estimation the apprehensions of injury from drouth.

A PARTY ORGAN.

Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow has now entered the lists as a candidate for a political office in the State of Pennsylvania, and did it ever occur to the Central, Pa., conference of the M. E. church that it certainly exhibits a lack of propriety in using the columns of the church organ which he edits to further his own candidacy. If this is to be tolerated wouldn't it be well to caution the ministers that it is certainly out of place for them to solicit subscriptions for this paper from the pulpit on Sunday. If Dr. Swallow's personal organ is to have the endorsement of the church, why not with equal grace ask the preachers to canvass for a personal organ of Senator Quay, John Wanamaker or William F. Harrity. As Dr. Swallow has already pledged a personal subscription of $1,000 to his campaign fund, it looks very much as though the Prohibitionists were adopting the political methods of their adversaries. We do not wish to be understood as intimating that this money is used for corrupting voters but we presume it will be used as all other parties use theirs, for "legitimate campaign expenses."

If the Methodist is to become a personal organ of the editor, its subscribers who paid their money under a false representation have a right to demand its return or should utter a protest.

It is undoubtedly the province of a religious newspaper to attack and expose fraud in every place or position however high or low, but the surroundings of the editor very greatly color his work and enable the reader to judge of his motives, whether such judgment be correct or not.—Columbia Republican.

FREE-TRADE BLIGHT.

The blight that has constantly fallen upon this country, and which has kept it in a continual condition of business prostration, has been the inability of the manufacturers of this country to find purchasers enough at home to consume their products. Under this almost unvarying condition the manufacturers have been compelled to close their factories down for long periods, with the consequent throwing out of employment of thousands of people who at once become a vast army of non producers and non consumers."—Register, Mobile, Ala., June 29, 1897.

True. The Democratic "blight" permitted the factories of Europe to supply our markets, hence, as the Register says, our manufacturers "have been compelled to close their factories down for long periods, with the consequent throwing out of employment of thousands of people." And these "thousands of people" will never forget the destructiveness of the deadly "blight" of the Democratic party's free-trade policy.—Economist.

"The embarrassing degree of prosperity" in England has been attained at the expense of labor in the United States, under the favorable workings—for English industries—of the Wilson tariff. Idleness of the workshops and factories of the United States has been the opportunity of foreign manufacturers. It is a matter of course that un-American papers exult in the good times Democratic administration has brought over there. The New York Post is one of the most earnest of these.—Utica, N. Y., Herald, July 12, 1897.

The north pole is again in danger of being discovered. Prof. Andree, the Swede, is making a great effort to reach the pole in a balloon from the island of Spitzbergen, while an Englishman named Jackson will soon start from "Franze Josef Land." And if these two fail Lieut. Peary will make another attempt in 1898. The north pole might as well let itself be discovered first as last; it is bound to come.

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Larrabee House at Larrabee, Pa. This is one of the best locations in McKean county at junction of W. N. Y. & P. Ry. License will be transferred to right man. Call or write at once if you want a bargain.
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Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania on August 9th, 1897, by N. Barrows Hubs, John R. Carvell, A. B. Hermance, H. C. Rubs, F. D. Ross and others under the Act of Assembly, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of Natural Gas Companies," approved May 29, 1885, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the Sergeant Gas Company, the character and object of which is the producing, dealing in, transporting, storing and supplying natural gas, the same to be mined for and produced and received at or near the village of Sergeant, in Wetmore township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and in the township of Jones, Elk county, Pennsylvania, and to be supplied to customers in the borough of Kane, in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania; the township of Wetmore, McKean county, Pennsylvania; the township of Jones, Elk county, Pennsylvania, including the villages of Wilcox and Tamarine in said Jones township, and the township of Ridgway, Elk county, Pennsylvania, including the village of Johnsonburg in said Ridgway township, in which places the business of its various branches is to be conducted, its general office being located in Williamsport, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, and for the purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and supplements thereto.

CASSIDY & MYERS, Solicitors,
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Auditor's Notice.

THE undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of McKean county to distribute the funds in the hands of E. J. Fowler, administrator of the estate of Anson B. Fowler, late of the borough of Eldred, McKean county, Pa., deceased, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will attend to the duties of his appointment at the office of T. F. Richmond, in the borough of Smethport, on Thursday, the 5th day of August, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all parties interested are requested to present their claims before the undersigned, or be forever after debarred from coming in upon the said fund.

EDMUND L. RYAN,
July 19, 1897.—3w-31 Auditor.

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500 oak or white 4-ft curtain poles and ends complete, 25, 35
All colors cords and tassels 5c each.
50 dozen best brass extension rods (24 to 44 in.) 2 for 25c.
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—A good broad business hatter.

—Wanted—Work to do with a drill.

—Wanted—Cows to drive; drive cattle.

—Wanted—Things up and advertising.
—J. A. W. Bullock.

—Are you going to Kane next Wednesday?

—It is claimed that the Venitians manufacture glass enamels.

—Elmer Heath is having a porch built in front of his barber shop.

—T. F. Richmond now has a beautifully graded lawn and terrace.

—Bradfordites will enjoy the great Wallace shows on Monday, Aug. 9.

—Everybody seems to have their eyes fastened on the gold fields of Alaska.

—The powers of Europe are fond of Turkey and evidently dislike Greece.

—Miss Santa Corwin celebrated her eighteenth birthday the eleventh of this month.

—Hazelton's ball team continues to win in the absence of their absconding manager.

—Dr. Stockton has a nail into his foot [illegible] which confines him to the house.

—Preparations are announcing the great basket picnic to take place at Austin.

—Mr. A. T. Palmer has been on the sick list a few days, but is better at this writing.

—Miss James McGuire has been quite ill for about a week. But is better at this writing.

—Lewis E. Winson and Effie E. Kelly of Eldred were granted a marriage license yesterday.

—Capt. R. Brown an aged citizen of Port Allegany, died at that place July [illegible] years.

—The late bridge letting seems to furnish an inexhaustable subject for everybody to talk about.

—Mrs. B. F. Wright gave a tea party last Saturday in honor of Mrs. W. K. Wright of Renovo.

—Miss A. Johnson and Miss Clara Bell, both of Port Allegany were granted a marriage license Monday.

—The Eldred cutlery works will start up about August 1. These works are for the exclusive manufacture of pocket cutlery.

—The jury commissioners were here Tuesday and drew the juries for the September, October and November terms of court.

—If you want good job printing on good stock at reasonable prices try the MINER. We guarantee satisfaction on all work.

—The McCoy residence at the lower end of Main street has been repaired and is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John Hamm.

—Jack Butler, Terry Halpin and Wm. Dwyer, all of Bradford were released from Castle Davis last Monday under the [illegible] act.

—We are now on the down grade of summer and soon overcoats will be donned with much pleasure by those who are fortunate enough to possess one.

—The following letters remain in the postoffice for the week ending July 17: Fanny Rudinsky (3), Mrs. A. Lally, Mrs. Mary Nolan and Miss Eva Porter.

—The members of the Baptist Sunday School picnicked at the grove near Farmers Valley last Wednesday. They had a most enjoyable time getting wet.

—A merchant who will attempt to do business without advertising will succeed about as well as a fisherman attempting to catch fish with a naked hook.

—H. H. Garthwait, a prominent merchant of Port Allegany, died last week at the age of [illegible] years. The remains were taken to Bolivar for burial last Thursday.

—Rev. Allen C. Prescott of Eldred will preach at St. Luke's church next Sunday and Rev. J. Heber McCandless will hold service at Eldred the same day.

—Every morning large gangs of berry-pickers can be seen wending their way towards the mountains in search of the luscious fruit. At night they come back with a very tired and hungry look.

—Personals and other matters of interest are left for mail to rain paper without the signature of the sender, not for publication, but as a matter of good faith that we may know that the communication is reliable and authentic.

—Wm. O. Cousdon of Cuba and Miss Charlotte R. Booth of Belvidere, N. Y., were granted a marriage license last week.

—Now doth the busy picnic bug improve each shining minute. There's nothing that's getatable but what he's strictly in it, walleth the Pittsburg Times.

—In the last two weeks the farmers have been contending with rather wet weather to make hay, but for all that large quantities have been stored in the barns.

—One of the largest gas wells ever discovered was developed at Baldwinsville, near Syracuse. It is claimed that it produces 5,000,000 cubic feet every 24 hours.

—The watermelons as usual have been getting in their work on the boys. The frisky green apple will soon have its inning and the doctors will wear broad smiles.

—There is a new postoffice near Kinzua known as Dewdrop. E. W. Campbell is postmaster. This was accomplished through the influence of Congressman C. W. Stone.

—Supt. J. C. McKenna, in his usual obliging manner, ran a special train over the B. B. & K. last Tuesday for the accommodation of delegates to the Democratic convention.

—Joseph Lorenzo, a descendant of the noble house of Lorenzo of Italy, was committed to jail last Friday by Justice Egbert of Bradford on the charge of threatening to kill.

—Crops are reported unusually heavy in the middle States of the West. They are so large in fact that the railroad companies fear that they will be unable to furnish transportation.

—Every citizen is expected to contribute to the entertainment of the Bucktails and should any names be omitted from the list of committee it is an oversight or mistake, not intentional.

—J. Colegrove, the general merchant, has a word with you about dress goods in his new adv. this week. It will be of benefit to inspect his stock before buying. His goods and prices are always right.

—The National Mirror of Washington, D. C., contains a fine half-tone cut of Col W. W. Brown, auditor for the War Department, together with a short and interesting account of his many public acts.

—There will be some interesting races at Eldred, Friday, August 20. The purses are liberal and each and every one guaranteed. Entries close Aug. 14. All lovers of the sport should attend these races.

—The MINER is in receipt of the annual catalogue of the Northwestern State Normal School at Edinboro for the year 1897. It is a very neatly bound paper book full of information relating to the school.

—Humane Agent A. N. Heard of Bradford brought Grace Barrows, a young girl who claimed she had been driven from her home in Duke Centre by her step-mother, to the poor house last Tuesday.

—It is reported that the wheat crop of Kansas will reach 60,000,000 bushels. This, at the present price of wheat, which is selling at about 75 cents per bushel, will give the farmers of Kansas quite a good sized stake.

—A Kentucky judge fined a man twenty-five dollars "for kissing a pretty girl once." Serves him right. Any man who has the chance and only kisses a pretty girl once should receive the extreme penalty of the law.—Ex.

—Lyons defeated Auburn by a score of 12 to 5, Tuesday. Tull is still playing fast ball with the Lyons team and the Buffalo Express says of his work in the above game: "Tull pitched a fine game allowing the Auburns but seven hits."

—The first of the week at Clermont they had a one-sided game of ball between the whirlwinds from Instanter and a mixed nine composed of some Smethport and Clermont players. It resulted in favor of the latter team by a score of 24 to 4.

—The W. N. Y. & P. R'y will run another of its popular excursions to Buffalo and Niagara Falls on Tuesday, July 27. Excursionists will leave here on the regular 9:26 a. m. train. Rate $3.25 for round trip, tickets good returning on regular train next day.

—Those residing along the Clermont branch of the W. N. Y. & P. Ry., who desire to visit Kane on August 28, to attend the unveiling of the soldiers' monument can take the 10 o'clock train here on the B. B. & K. R. R., and arrive at Kane in time for an early dinner.

—In the advertisement of Andrews & Conkling, the hustling Olean housefurnishers will be found some very interesting prices. This popular firm have made great strides in their business in the past few years. They are now the leaders and still they keep on improving their establishment.

—According to the Star a Bradford girl has at last discovered the long-looked-for man under the bed and she will hereafter enjoy an enviable position among the fair sex. But the best of all is that she possessed sufficient courage to grab him by the leg of his pantaloons and drag him from beneath the bed and fire him out.

—Next Sunday, July 25, the B. R. & P. Ry will run the first excursion of the season to Chautauqua Lake and Celeron, the lake side city of wonders. Train will leave Bradford at 11:10 a. m., returning will leave steamboat landing at 7:00 p. m., and Jamestown station at 7:10 p. m. All who can possibly afford it should enjoy this Sunday's outing.

—On Monday night the Rebeka Lodge invited a number of young friends and the Odd Fellows to come to the hall. There a surprise awaited them. Games were played and after a lunch a program was rendered, which was highly appreciated. It is the wish of the Lodge to increase its membership and there is no doubt but that they will succeed in doing so.

—Prothonotary George W. Mitchell will meet with the Swedish-American club, Pompeion Hall, on Thursday night, July 29, at 8 o'clock, prepared to serve all who wish to declare their intentions to become naturalized citizens. The club extends an invitation to persons of all nationalities who desire to become citizens to avail themselves of the opportunity.—Bradford Star.

—The Larabee band have had large two-sheet posters issued from the office announcing their first grand annual basket picnic. Ten bands from adjacent towns will participate. It will occur on Friday August 13. A great time for pleasure and recreation is promised. Do not fail to attend and hear the great noise that can be produced by the wind coming through so many horns.

—Notice has been received by the county commissioners that the legislature at the last session passed a law which was approved by the governor on the 15th day of June, 1897, providing that employers of foreign born unnaturalized male persons over 21 years old, shall make reports of the same for taxation and providing a penalty of not less than a fine of $100, nor more than $1,000 for each violation.—Bradford Record.

—Joe Lonsque of Bradford, who is in jail on the charge of threatening to kill swore out a warrant for the arrest of two colored damsels of Bradford, Carrie Jones and Annie Champion. Constable Cutler drove to Bradford Wednesday and placed the ladies of color under arrest for selling liquor without a license. They were given a hearing and furnished bail for their appearance at court.

—Little 12-year-old Annie Knentel was badly frightened Monday evening by a stranger, who followed her while near the stone quarry on the river road, and attempted to take liberties with her. The child screamed lustily and the villain was frightened and ran away. The girl is sure she would recognize the man if she sees him, and if he is caught he will be treated to justice with no mercy in it.—Potter Journal.

—Dr. Burg Chadwick of Smethport, officer of the State Board of Health for McKean county, came over to Bradford Monday evening for the purpose of investigating complaints made against Freeman Etheridge, who resides on Corydon street, outside of the city limits. His style ly ally has been offensive to many people. Dr. Chadwick decided the complaints were well founded and ordered the nuisance abated.—Era.

—The fire police are making extensive preparations for their clam bake and picnic at Riverside Park next Wednesday. An interesting feature of the event will be a bicycle road race from the St. James Hotel to the park. The race will start at 1:40 and as the racers turn the corner of Main and Davis streets, a special train will leave for Riverside, so that spectators will be able to see the beginning and ending of the race.—Bradford Record.

—Yesterday we had the pleasure of examining the report of the 10th annual reunion of the old Bucktail Regiment at Emporium, compiled by W. H. Rauch, ("the Little Corporal") and his assistant secretary, Mrs. Rauch. This is one of the most interesting reports issued, being full and complete. The "Little Corporal" is one of the most enthusiastic soldiers we ever met. May he be spared for many years to come to enliven the annual camp fire.

—The Kane Republican says: "A Coudersport man by the name of Edward Champlin, attempted to shuffle off the mortal coil in Olean on Saturday last by the paris green route. He took two teaspoonfuls and tried to die but the doctors thwarted his purpose. He had before attempted suicide by hanging, but owing to the weakness of the rope he failed. He says he will yet accomplish his purpose. The reason for his attempt he says, is the fact that if he lives he must take to himself a wife. He prefers death.

—Editor W. L. Cooper, who for the last two years or more has been at the helm of the Bradford Sunday Herald and made a decided success of the same, has sold out his interest in the Herald to E. J. Murray, P. D. Laughlin and J. H. Geer, who are three experienced newspaper men. They promise to make the Herald a better paper if possible than ever. The MINER welcomes the new trio to McKean county and hopes their venture may prove a success. To Mr. Cooper the MINER wishes all the success he can desire in whatever field he may make a venture.

—One of Frank Rumsey's horses livened things up slightly on Main street Tuesday night. The horse was hitched to the trunk wagon and when in front of the court house the cross bar of the thills broke, frightening the animal and away he went down the street at a rattling pace. He took the sidewalk in front of the Chautauqua House and continued down past the "washee-washee" joint, where he turned to the left and went around to the Chautauqua House barn where he was caught. A slight injury to his left hind leg and a few broken planks in the sidewalk was the only damage done.

—Last Friday morning the 12-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Garrity had a narrow escape from death by strangulation. The baby was playing on the floor and in some way found a large picture hook and, like all small children, tried to swallow it. When Mrs. Garrity discovered what the child had done she was so frightened that she could do nothing for the little sufferer but scream. This attracted the neighbors and after they had quieted the almost crazed mother enough to get her to give up possession of the little one, Mrs. Latham soon removed the hook, but not until his throat was badly lacerated. Dr. Brown was summoned and the child has nearly recovered at this writing.

—An executive session of the McKean County Women's Christian Temperance Union was held at the home of Mrs. Harriet E. Chambers, county president, at 11 Chautauqua street, on Tuesday, at 2 p. m. There were present Mrs. E. D. Kane, M. and Mrs. Alice Hirsch of Kane; Mrs. S. W. Turner and Mrs. L. E. Love, Rixford; Mrs. M. E. Richmond, Smethport; Mrs. Robertson, Custer City; Mrs. C. L. Douglas and Mrs. Emma Smith, East Bradford, and members of the executive committee from the local union. Plans for the work in the county were discussed and arrangements made for the semi-annual convention to be held at Rixford in September. At the close of the business meeting refreshments were served by the hostess and an hour was passed in pleasant social intercourse before the out-of-town guests left for their homes.—Bradford Era.

Killed at Gilmor.

William Warren, a fireman on the Olean and Bradford Electric R'y, was killed last Sunday morning in a collision near Gilmor. Mr. Warren had been to Rock City with the repair car for some supplies and in returning tried to make the switch at Derrick City before the car from Bradford, carrying passengers, came along, and was running at a high rate of speed. Unfortunately they met near Gilmor and Warren was fatally injured and died about 5 hours after the accident. His parents reside in Buffalo. Deceased was about 25 years of age.

Following is the verdict of the coroner's jury: "That William Warren came to his death from being crushed between two cars on the O., R. C. & B railroad, near Gilmor station, and we believe from the evidence that there was negligence on the part of the Pierce Construction company and the O., R. C. & B. railroad company; and that he was to a certain extent responsible for his own death."

Notice.

All persons who can sing and who are interested in the success of the approaching Bucktail reunion are very cordially invited to meet at the Wright House parlors on Saturday evening, July 24, at 8 o'clock. Let us all turn out and give the old boys some rousing good music.

H. J. McCoy,
J. W. Boyton,
Committee on Music.

The chairmen and as many members of the different committees as possible can are requested to meet at the Wright House to-morrow evening to make arrangements for the proper reception of the Bucktails.

H. C. [illegible],
President.

B. Hicks, optician, of Kane will make his next regular visit at Dr. Chadwick's drug store on Tuesday, Aug. 3. 30-tf

A Bridge Contract.

That there is a combination [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Co.

[illegible] Bridge Co.

[illegible]

The commissioners wisely concluded to reject all bids, much to the disappointment of the many gentlemen, who were here expecting to reap a rich harvest in securing an exorbitant price for the bridge. Last Monday the bridge contract was let to Charles Hines of Kane, representing the Mapleton Bridge Co., of Ohio, on a bid of $1,200, whereas this company's bids last week were $1,637 and $1,748—a saving to the county of $437. A duplicate of this bridge was built recently at State Line for $1,000.

Now comes the striking part of the whole matter: E. C. Lord, who locally represents the New Columbus Bridge Co., of Ohio, was ready to put in a bid on this bridge at $1,000, but the night before the bids were let, last week, the [illegible] secretary sent a special [illegible] with a certified check, and he [illegible] of Gilmore.

Lord had evidently joined into a combine to force the price up and keep it there. But the determined action of our board of commissioners has balked their scheme. The present board of commissioners deserve the commendation of every taxpayer in the county.

The bridge built at Hornbrook two years ago is 96 feet in length and the price paid was $1,790. At the price of $12 per foot as paid for this last bridge to be built at Frabee it ought to have been $1,152. The Turtle Point bridge built this summer is 140 feet in length, cost $2,700. At $12 per foot it would have been $1,680, or a difference in cost of $1,020.

That the bridge companies have had a cinch goes without any contradiction and clearly demonstrates the fact that advertising this last bridge to the lowest and best bidder will be the means of saving the county a large amount of money in the future. The bridge companies combine has been broken as far as McKean county is concerned. Hereafter we may expect to see bridges erected at something near the correct cost.

The Glass Works Leased.

On July 1 Messrs. Phillip and Appelstein, the principal stockholders in the Mt. Jewett Flint Glass Co., leased the property to Peter Meyer, Anthony Moren, Theodore Herman, Charles and Elmer Falk. Mr. Meyer is one of the original stockholders, and has been manager of the works from the beginning. Mr. Herman has also held stock for some time; the remainder of the gentlemen of the new company are practical glass workers, having been in the employ of the old company as blowers.

Under the terms of the lease the new company are to pay Messrs. Phillip and Appelstein a certain per centage on the gross product of the factory for a period of two years, when, if it shall prove to have aggregated a certain sum, heretofore agreed upon, they are to be given a title to the property.

The new company will be known as the Mt. Jewett Tumbler Works and is officered as follows: Anthony Moren, president; Peter Meyer, secretary, treasurer and manager; while E. Don Hodgkinson will act as shipping clerk for the new, and assistant secretary for the old company.

There is at present at work 2½ shops which gives employment to 16 persons, and it is the intention to increase the force steadily until the maximum capacity of the works is reached and continue through the summer.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

Dunlap Arrested.

Calvin Dunlap of Songbird reference to whom was made in last week's issue was arrested last Saturday on the charge of incest. The warrant was sworn out by his daughter Claire. The hearing was set for Wednesday afternoon. The Bradford Star of Wednesday says:

Claire Dunlap, a pretty girl, testified that she was 18 years old and that the acts which she she had accused her father of committing had been repeatedly committed during the past two years and she had never told her mother before out of fear of her father, and that she had only told her mother a few weeks ago out of desperation. The acts have been committed since she was 13 years of age. Her father dared her repeatedly to tell anyone about the matter and told her he would always deny it if she did tell.

Cross examination did not shake her evidence a whit. She testified that she had often been punished at different times by her father, although he used to favor her by buying her nicer clothing and other things than he did her sister Alma.

Claire stated that she had tried to leave home several weeks ago but that her father had chased her and made her return home, and once he sent a dog after her.

This closed her testimony and the hearing was over. Dunlap was held in $1,500 bail for his appearance at court.

In default of bail Dunlap was brought to Smethport yesterday morning by Constable Osborne and lodged in jail to await trial at the October term.

An Exciting Episode.

Alex McSwain of Emporium was arrested in Olean by Chief Hart last Saturday, on the charge of highway robbery. It seems that McSwain robbed an old man named W. H. Crane of $30 and a revolver near Emporium. There were two companions with McSwain when Hart tried to make the arrest—Will Swain, a cousin, and Thomas O'Hern. These two interfered and William Swain had his cousin's revolver, for which he was promptly arrested and sent to the lock-up. While this was going on Alex McSwain took leg bail for naturally and Chief Hart started in pursuit. After his revolver after the exciting [illegible] speed and tried to protect [illegible] When McSwain reached the creek he waded across and for the time being escaped arrest. Hart then turned his attention to O'Hern, who started to run. The chief fired several shots after him, but he escaped. After this most [illegible] for gamesters and both men were afterward captured after a hard struggle. The chief was obliged to [illegible] Dowd with the butt of his [illegible] received two slight wounds. Alex McSwain was taken to Emporium in [illegible] for the robbery of [illegible] Crane had a hearing before [illegible] and was held in $500 each and were [illegible]

Agents Wanted.

To canvass each town [illegible] for and [illegible] counties [illegible] Call at once and secure [illegible] C. J. Sackett, Manager, general sales and county agency, Smethport, Pa. box 24. 8-tf

PERSONAL MENTION.

[illegible]

[illegible] spent Sunday last with [illegible]

J. C. Hutchens of Bradford came over to the Lair Monday.

Mark Hinds of Kane autographed at the Central Tuesday.

F. B. Chandler of Colegrove was a pleasant caller yesterday.

J. W. Wright of Kane was a pleasant caller last Tuesday.

Will Dibble of Colerille was in town Tuesday on business.

John Balsh of Colegrove was a delegate from "Norwich first."

Mr. and Mrs. Linn Chadwick returned to Bradford last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Linn Hegarth visited Bradford friends last Sunday.

Dr. Burg Chadwick transacted business in Bradford Monday night.

E. C. Flannery of Olean was calling on friends in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams of Larabee were in town Wednesday.

C. M. Colegrove transacted business at Olean last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. J. F. Trout and daughter, Daisy, visited friends Monday night.

[illegible] Hemlock [illegible]

[illegible] Fleming.

J. H. Tate of Shinglehouse, of course, is in the political alley last Tuesday.

E. J. Collins of Bradford was here Tuesday as a delegate to the convention.

Mayor Ferguson of Bradford came over to assist in the enthusiasm last Tuesday.

A. L. Colegrove, Fred Watkins and Will Holder wheeled to Rock City last Sunday.

A. J. Martin of Jamestown is in town on his regular trip and is just as happy as ever.

Commissioners Davis and Hungerville visited Turtle Point and Port Allegany Wednesday.

Rev. Allen C. Prescott and Editor A. D. Gould wheeled up from Eldred last Tuesday.

John O'Brien came over Tuesday to see how matters were conducted at the convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wolford of Port Allegany were guests at the Wright House Wednesday.

Mrs. W. K. Wright of Renovo and Misses Ella and Lena Wright visited Bradford last Monday.

J. M. Cotter of Eldred was up Tuesday to see how things were done at the Democratic convention.

J. J. McCarey and D. C. Winship of Turtle Point autographed at the Central Wednesday.

James Lindsey and Justice Barlow of Bradford were here Tuesday to keep the boys in order.

S. B. Sherwood and wife of Eldred have been visiting relations at East Smethport for a few days past.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McAllister of Colegrove passed through town on their way to Bradford yesterday.

L. Scanlon and daughters, Mrs. B. D. Chrisley and Misses Agnes and Bessie, were at the Ball Tuesday.

Ezra Taylor "biked" up from Chipmunk last Sunday. Ez reports matters as a trifle dull there at present.

Miss Jenny Simpson of Warren was a guest of her aunt, Miss Mary Simpson, at the Central over Sunday.

H. E. Gaffney and wife of Buffalo were in town yesterday. Mr. Gaffney was a pleasant caller at this office.

John Stoutenburg, better known as "Tammany John," the tea salesman, arrived in town Wednesday night.

Mrs. M. E. Richmond visited Bradford Monday to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the W.C.T.U.

L. H. Ingler went to Bradford Tuesday from there he went to Olean where he expects to secure employment.

Frank Kernan and Carl Bard of Port Allegany represented the Democracy in that neck o' the woods here Tuesday.

David and Charles Barr of Bradford have resumed their positions in the kindling wood department of Gifford's saw mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Webber and daughter, Miss Gertrude of Port Allegany were guests of Mrs. F. W. Hegarth last Sunday.

J. C. Stull, the prominent merchant of Farmers Valley, brought his brother, B. J., up to see a physician last Monday.

F. A. Pierce and wife of Warren, who were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Pierce during the past week, left for home Thursday.

Mrs. Chas. Bosworth and little daughter of Brooklyn, N. Y., arrived yesterday noon and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hamlin.

Attorney L. B. Siebert of Coudersport came over Tuesday to see his partner, Eugene Mullin, receive the judgeship nomination.

Claude LeFevre and Ray Wolters and Misses Maud Davis and Emma McFadden enjoyed a pleasant drive to Kinzua Bridge Sunday.

George Brownell wheeled out to Lafayette Corners last Sunday and reported a most enjoyable trip all to himself, commuting with nature.

Roscoe Baird left this morning for Binghamton, N. Y., where he has secured a situation in a drug house. May he meet with abundant success.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. White and children and Mrs. M. J. Telles left this morning for their home in Oil City after a very pleasant visit of three weeks with Mrs. Chas. Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Britain and two children were guests of S. D. Weaver and wife over Sunday. Mrs. Britain is a daughter of Commissioner Davis and a sister of Mrs. Weaver.

The genial Paul Johnson, agent for Johnson & Co., the large stationary house of Harrisburg, was a most agreeable caller at this office last Friday. Mr. Johnston has a host of friends in town who are always pleased to see him.

Judge Henry Hamlin visited Syracuse Wednesday. It seems that he has an interest in the large gas well that has just been discovered at Baldwinsville. Congratulations are in order.

Easy to Answer.

The following communication was received from Bradford:

Ed. Miner:—Kindly permit me to ask you a question. In your last week's issue you speak of two Jacobs and Peddler from Bradford. Now, had Jacobs come from Seattle Center, would you write the same? Or, if a Catholic peddler had gone to Mount Jewett Thompson, or Kinzua, or Port Allegany, would you have said the Protestant peddler from Bradford? Now, I am a Protestant peddler myself, and I am proud of my religion and generally supported.

Justice.

Justice, it would make no difference what name this Jew peddler had given. A name does not change a man's nationality any more than it makes the man. It would not be "justice" to call a Jew an Irishman or a Yankee, because he possesses Irish or Yankee name. But, [illegible] are contending religion [illegible] are not [illegible]

Parents Attention.

The school law forbidding the admission of pupils to the public schools who have not been vaccinated shall be strictly enforced the coming year. Parents should see that this matter is attended to at once so as to be ready for the opening of school.

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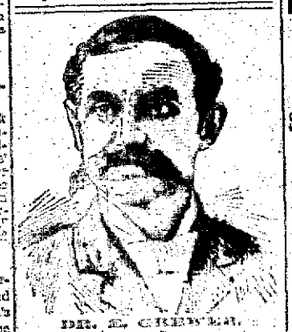

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B., B. & K. Excursions to Portage Falls, Chautauqua Lake, Rock City and Bradford.

Sunday, July 25th, the B., B. & K. R'y will run excursions to Portage Falls via W. N. Y. & P. Ry from Bradford; to Chautauqua Lake via Erie Railroad from Bradford; to Rock City via Olean, Rock City & Bradford Ry from Bradford. Special train will leave Smethport at 7:15 a. m. arriving at Bradford at 8:50 a. m. Six hours at Portage, seven hours at Chautauqua Lake. Electric cars run to Rock City every half hour. Fare from Smethport for the round trip to Portage $1.75; to Chautauqua Lake $1.00; to Bradford $1.00; to Rock City $1.35. Special train returning will leave Bradford at 7 p. m.

G. A. R. Meet Philadelphia.

For the annual meet of the League of American Wheelmen at Philadelphia, August 16 to 21, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell special tickets from all points on its system to Philadelphia and return at rate of a single fare for the round trip. No rate less than twenty-five cents. Tickets will be sold and will be good going on August 8 and 4, and good to return on August 9, 1897, inclusive.

G. A. R. Encampment, Buffalo.

For the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Buffalo, August 23 to 28, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell special tickets from all points on its system to Buffalo and return at rate of a single fare for the round trip. These tickets will be sold and will be good going on August 20 to 25, and good to return not earlier than August 24 nor later than August 31, 1897.

United Brethren Camp Meeting, Mount Gretna.

For the United Brethren camp meeting at Mt. Gretna, Pa., August 5 to 12, 1897, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its system east of Pittsburg and Erie, and west of and including Philadelphia, to Mt. Gretna and return at reduced rates. These tickets will be sold August 3 to August 12 inclusive, good to return until August 20, 1897, inclusive. For specific rates, conditions, &c., apply to nearest ticket agent.

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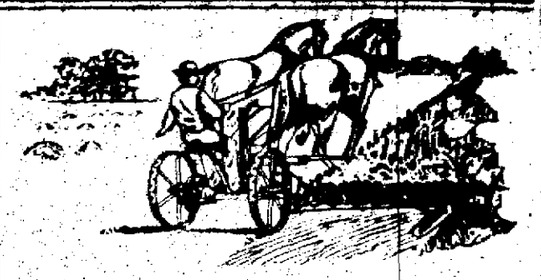

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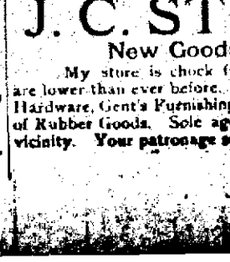
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...elements in dis... ...which the most effec... ...all these ingredi... ...quiet of the village of ... ...ll the common maxim ... ...ation, and this will appear ... ...n, it is known that ... ...in part descended ... ...Pirates of the Ba... ...Barbarians, who were ... ...the time of the Hamilton, ...ntelligent persons, the ... ...of which is at the present ... ...But, among the barba... ...Montenegrins professes to ... ...unsophisticated beyond all ... ...of faith. It is called the ... ...and appears only in a ... ...of which Nahomah has ... ...Himself the executive au... ...t determines power in eccle... ...h. The most desirable and ... ...ecclesiastic do not re... ...ation even to nourish the ... ...Nahomah permits only a ... ...ay of the devotees to gather ...

...a time a lady of distinc... ...killed at Klogotin fell dan... ...Shocking for her life, she ... ...the consolation, ...from a large reward if ... ...her a yellow Indian ... ...garden. Seduced by ... ...of Klogotin, the peasant was ... ...information. When ... ...with and deposit place ... ...Klogotin, he pre... ...pointed place and, calling ... ...promised to dig it up, but ... ...approaching the earth a fa... ...ordinary stone, had a voice ... ...reminded in his own words ... ...had complained. He rose ... ...and advanced to... ...the noble pro... ...able to restore ... ...upright. ...the edge of a rock he saw ... ...of a gigantic apparition, ...had the famous form; his ... ...flowing down to his breast; a ... ...snake formed him a deformed ... ...piercing eyes seemed to ... ...and his looks and his ... ...the wrist of the tempest. ... ...hands was an enormous ... ...knife.

"...you afraid there?" cried ... ...hoing to the peasant, ...conquering like a brave ... ...which at first seized ... "I seek the yellow bal... ...woman has promised to ... it."

...you hold you may take ... the giant, "but take ... come a second time." ... he brandished his club ... gestures and disappeared. ... profoundly descended the ... the lady thought herself ... she gave herself in posses... ...ly wished was to shorten ... Her illness, in fact, di... ...night. Nevertheless, she ... a complete cure. She ... the peasant.

...ained the courage," said ... ...go and seek for me the ...

...uestioned the peasant, ... mountain appeared to ... in a terrible shape and ... with threats to set my feet ... garden. I have too much ...ng him."

...the dame conquered his ... more of a still larger sum ... and for the second time ... to penetrate into Barba... ...assembly had he be... ...the yellow baboon whom ... upon arose, and the ... to him, more menacing ... head down to on his first ... question's looks were ... his chest floated in the ... lightnings flashed ... He cried, with a voice ... the mountain trumble, ...chant there?"

...repeated, "What are you ...

...other business," answered ... "A rich woman has prom... ...well for it."

...could no longer contain his ...ness, did I not caution ...dame returned! How you pe... ...myself if you can."

...business Samson appeared ...ordained and to burn his ...owerful club flew round in ...shed a mark near him into ...ground trembled under his ...step of thunder sound... ...and he fell down senseless ...ame to himself until ... The giant had disap... ...thunder growled loud ...still thought he heard ...voice of the spirit, and ...as if they had been ...ver, he grasped the bal... ...At last, armed with ...with thick rope, shoved ...underground vault, he ...ed to rack all the night ...following day without ...the vast. At length a ...found him half dead ...had fallen into his cabin. ...almost copious and got rid ...other which he inflicted ...spirits. The lady was de... ...After again with the an... ...chant and gave him an ...ising that he forgot the ...ain and went joyfully ...husband. The dame ...around. Nevertheless, ...faithful, ...added Samson," said she, ...added that I should be ...

...the peasant, who at ...to notice intelligent, ...quite evil spirit, he at ...the interaction of the ...

...children," said he as an ex... ...do you want with me? I ...not requisite me to go a ...Samson. Heaven keep ...I find a great deal of ...both safe and sound. ...I consider you ...

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